THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(b) Due to non-availability of gas for Monarchak Gas Based Power Project (280 MW) and in view of the advantages of economy of scale in the setting up of Palatana Project (750 MW) also in Tripura, it has not been found feasible to take up the Monarchak GBPP as originally planned.

Backlog vacancies of SC/ST

1436. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of backlog vacancies of SC and ST, group-wise as on the 1st July, 2004;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Hon'ble Prime Minister had issued instructions to fill up such vacancies on or before December, 2005;

(c) if so, the action taken by the Ministry in this regard;

(d) the details of vacancies filled in during special drive; and

(e) the details of vacancies in balance on the 30th June, 2006, group-wise?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) Group-wise details of backlog vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Ministry of Power, its Attached Office, Autonomous Bodies and Public Sector Undertakings under its administrative control, as on 1st July, 2004, are given below:

	Number of Backlog Reserved Vacancies									
	Group A		Group B		Group C		Group D		Total	
			SC				ST			
1. Ministry of Power and Attached Office (Central Electricity Authority)	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2
2. Autonomous Bodies under the Ministry of Power	29	23	18	22	24	13	2	13	73	71
3. Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Power	15	80	1	4	25	14	8	Nil	49	98
4. TOTAL:	**44**	**105**	**19**	**26**	**49**	**27**	**10**	**13**	**122**	**171**

(b) The Hon'ble Prime Minister had directed that at least 80% of all backlog vacancies for SCs and STs should be filled up by December, 2005.

(c) Necessary directions were issued so as to fill up all backlog reserved vacancies for SCs and STs by December, 2005 and progress was closely monitored.

(d) Group-wise details of the backlog reserved vacancies in the Ministry of Power, its Attached Office, Autonomous Bodies and Public Sector Undertakings under its administrative control, filled up during the Special Recruitment Drive,are given below:

		Number of Backlog Reserved Vacancies filled									
		Group A		Group B		Group C		Group D		Total	
		SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST
1.	Ministry of Power and Attached Office (Central Electricity Authority)	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2
2.	Autonomous Bodies under the Ministry of Power	22	22	18	19	24	13	2	13	66	67
3.	Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Power	15	80	1	4	25	14	8	Nil	49	98
4.	TOTAL:	37	104	19	23	49	27	10	13	115	167

(e) Group-wise details of the backlog reserved vacancies in the Ministry of Power, its Attached Office, Autonomous Bodies and Public Sector Undertakings under its administrative control, remaining unfilled as on 30th June 2006, are given below:

		Number of Backlog Reserved Vacancies									
		Group A		Group B		Group C		Group D		Total bal.	
		SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST
1.	Ministry of Power and Attached Office (Central Electricity Authority)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2.	Autonomous Bodies under the Ministry of Power	7	1	Nil	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	7	4
3.	Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Power	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
4.	TOTAL:	7	1	Nil	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	7	4